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SUBJECT: CAPTIAN JOSE IGNACIO DONINGUEZ UMD MEMBER

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1. THOUGH A FIRST HAND IMPRESSION OF DOMINGUEZ AND HIS VIEWS MIGHT BE INTERESTING, THE COSTS OF SUCH A CONTACT ARE LIKELY TO FAR OUT WEIGHT THE BENEFITS. REGARDLESS OF THE RIGHTS AND WRONGS OF THE UMD CASE, DOMINGUEZ IS A FUGITIVE FROM SPANISH MILITARY JUSTIC, AND HAS BEEN GIVING STATEMENTS IN PARIS WHICH SPANISH MILITARY WIDELY BELIEVE ARE DAMAGING TO THE INSTITUTION. SUCH MILITARY SYMPATHY AS MAY ACCRUE TO THE JUST CONVICTED UMD MEMBERS (SEPTTEL) REPORTEDLY DOES NOT EXTEND TO DOMINGUEZ WHO HAS NOT TAKEN HIS MEDICINE IN THE SPANISH MILITARY COURT SYSTEM. EITHER DOMINGUEZ WOULD TELL PEOPLE OF HIS CONTACTS OR THE SPANISH INTELLIGENCE SERVICES WHICH MUST BE FOLLOWING HIS ACTIVITIES IN PORTUGAL, WOULD LEARN OF THE MEETING, WE ARE SURE IT WOULD BE RESENTED BY THEM.

2. AT THE SAME TIME, ONE AVENUE MIGHT BE TO EXPLAIN TO GAMA, WHOM WE GATHER IS A TRUSTED SOURCE, THAT WE CANNOT SEE DOMINGUEZ BECAUSE THE SPANISH MILITARY WOULD NOT
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UNDERSTAND BUT THAT IF HE, GAMA, HAS ANYTHING INTERESTING

TO PASS ON ABOUT DOMINGUEZ VIEWS, EMBASSY LISBON WOULD BE
GLAD TO HEAR IT.

3. DOMINGUES' FULL NAME IS JOSE IGNACIO DOMINGUES MARTIN
SANCHEZM HE WAS OUTSIDE OF SPAIN WHEN THE OTHER UMD
SUSPECTS WERE ARRESTED, BUYING A YACHT IN TURKEY
AND CHOSE NOT TO RETURN BUT TO RATHER TO GO TO
FRANCE WHERE THE COMMUNIST DOMINATED " JUNTA DEMOCRATIC"
TRIED TO TAKE HIM IN TOW. WE SUBSEQUENTLY HEARD, BUT
CANNOT CONFIRM THE TRUTH OF IT, THAT HE BECAME DISENCHANTED
WITH THE JUNTA'S USING HIM FOR THEIR OWN PURPOSES. BY MOST
ACCOUNTS HE IS SOMETHING OF A DILETTANTE LEFTIST, WITH
UNDIFFERENTIATED POLITICAL LNGINGS, THOUGH THERE
ARE SPANISH MILITARY WHO ALLEGE THAT HE HAS BEEN A SECRET
MEMBER OF THE SPANISH COMMUNIST PARTY.
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